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Dear Hal & Lillian:

A quick note from the far west...trusting you are both well and in anticipation of better weather now that Spring is officially here!

As I sit at my word processor we are in the midst of our third day of continuous rain (aka snow in the surrounding mountains). In fact, true: this very morning I had to get out the ice scraper for the car. Condensation plus an overnight of 32 did it.

So glad the short-lived war is over. Obviously the region remains tense and on a short fuse, but better words than weapons. Hal, I couldn't help but recall the war in the gulf in paralell to the SLA shootout and the street riots of the 60's. Police/military love to try out their toys in the stress times. What a dresser full of exotic mayhem. Still, I found myself almost with a grudging sense of awe. I thought Peter Arnett did a superlative job of reportage from the enemy camp. But these being the times they are, I was not surprised at the amount of flack he took from our conservative nation.

Our station is actively on the block and we have some good nibbles. It's all become too stressful rather than enjoyable. And as you well know, I dearly love this business of communications. But one must recognize when it is time to move on. And we will. And I hope once done our more relaxed travels will take us back your way to break bread and see you both. And remind me to tell you the one about Jodi getting rid of gallstones with a recipe from ancient Rome!

Warmest regards

Art & Jodi